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STRANGE AS IT SEEMS—

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"OLD ABE"

official Civil War mascot,
of the 8th Wisconsin Infantry,
INSPIRED AND LED HIS COMRADES THROUGH
36 BATTLES...

HE UTTERED SHRILL CRIES OF DEFIANCE AT
THE GRAY COATS WHO MADE SPECIAL
EFFORTS TO KILL HIM...

HE WAS WOUNDED AT
CORINTH AND AGAIN AT
VICKSBURG...

- LAWRENCE
- LESTER
- LETHA
- LLOYD
- LEONARD
- LOWELL
- LUELLA
- LAVERNA
- LOLA
- LELAND

The children of
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Nelson,
of Elliott, Iowa...

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One of the outstanding heroes of the Civil War was an EAGLE.
Old Abe, prior to 1861, was just an ordinary eagle. He was captured
in Wisconsin by an Indian and was purchased by a white man for a bushel
of corn. He was then sold to another man who presented him to the 8th
Wisconsin Infantry.

Old Abe became the official mascot, and the 8th Wisconsin Infantry came
to be known as the Eagle Regiment. A special perch was constructed for
him, and a soldier was assigned to the duty of carrying him alongside the
colors in all battles.

For three years Old Abe served as an inspiration to the troops. Such
was his encouragement to the Yankees, that the Confederates made special
efforts to do away with him. At Corinth, General Price is reported to have
remarked, "I would rather have him, than the whole brigade." But Abe
continued to scream at the Confederates every time a gray coat appeared,
although he was wounded at Corinth, and again at Vicksburg. The South-
erners came to hate the eagle as much as he evidently hated them, and called
him the "Yankee Buzzard."

Through 36 battles Old Abe led the Eagle Regiment. He was formally
accepted by the Wisconsin Governor on behalf of the state. His history
published in a pamphlet, brought \$16,000 for disabled soldiers. He lived
peacefully until March, 1881, when he died as a result of breathing smoke
when the Madison capitol burned.

The Babirusa, a bluish-colored, pig-like animal, found on the island of
Celebes, and other parts of the Malay Archipelago, is often a victim of its
own tusks. The tusks, which grow completely through the upper lip, are used
in fighting, and pushing through undergrowth. However, they sometimes
grow too much, and penetrate the
animal's skull, thereby causing its
death.

Anyone desiring additional in-
formation or proof should write the
author, enclosing a stamped, addressed
envelope.

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AND
SKINNER**

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FURRIERS IN
Cleveland, Ohio

THE SKULL OF A
BABIRUSA THAT
WAS KILLED BY
ITS OWN TUSK...
from the island of Celebes...

A 2-HEADED
SNAKE WAS FOUND
by Miss Elaine Fibush,
Oakland, Calif.

A
KING
WHO WEARS A
SILK HAT FOR
A CROWN...
Hiambilli, of
the Ovambos,
in South Africa

HERE LIES
THE BODY OF
POOR FRANK AND
PARISH CLERK, AND
GRAVE STONE CUTTER,
AND THIS IS WRIT TO
LET YOU KNOW,
WHAT FRANK FOR OTHERS
US'D TO DO, IS NOW FOR
FRANK DONE BY ANOTHER.

An epitaph in
Selby, Eng.



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